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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT KEKKONEN TO VISIT HUNGARY

1. THE FINNISH PRESS REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT URHO KEKKONEN LEAVES FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO HUNGARY ON NOVEMBER 17, 1976, AT THE INVITATION OF JANOS KADAR, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST WORKERS' PARTY, AND PAL LOSCONCZI, PRESIDENT OF HUNGARY. THE VISIT IS DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS: PRESIDENT KEKKONEN MEETS THE HUNGARIAN LEADERS AND HAS OFFICIAL TALKS IN BUDAPEST ON NOVEMBER 17 AND 18. THE PROGRAM ON NOVEMBER 19 AND 20 IS OF A MORE UNOFFICIAL NATURE AND INCLUDES, AMONG OTHER POINTS, A HUNTING TRIP.

2. THE PRESIDENT WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY FOREIGN MINISTER KEIJO KORHONEN, ACADEMICIAN KUSTAA VILKUNA, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT VEIKKO SAARTO, PROFESSOR PENTTI I. HALONEN, AND FOLLOWING FONMIN OFFICIALS: DEPARTMENT CHIEF OSSI SUNELL, DEPARTMENT CHIEF JAAKKO ILONIEMI, ADVISOR KAARLO YRJO-KOSKINEN, SECTION CHIEF JUHANI SUOMI, SECTION SECRETARY JUKKA SEPPINEN, SECTION SECRETARY CHARLES MURTO, INTERPRETER MRS. SIRKKA KOSKINEN, AND THE AIDES OF THE PRESIDENT, CDR BO KLENBERG AND LTC LASSE WACHTER. FINLAND'S AMBASSADOR TO HUNGARY, PAUL JYRKANKALLIO, JOINS THE GROUP IN BUDAPEST.

3. THIS IS KEKKONEN'S SECOND OFFICIAL VISIT TO HUNGARY.

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THE FIRST ONE TOOK PLACE IN OCTOBER 1969. HE MADE UNOFF-

CIAL VISITS TO HUNGARY IN CONNECTION WITH HIS TRIPS TO
YUGOSLAVIA IN 1963 AND 1975.

4. PRESIDENT LOSONCZI MADE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO FINLAND
IN 1971 AND PARTY LEADER KADAR IN 1973.
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